#### **Intercessions**

Almighty God our heavenly Father, we thank You for all whom we remember today; for those we have known and loved and for those we have known as friends or as members of our family. May we share with them in eternal life.

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We thank you for the love and support from those around us during the difficult times of the past year especially for the help and encouragement given by family and friends. Bless and increase their love.

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We remember all those who are unable to attend this service, especially those who continue to feel the pain of loss and separation. May they find comfort and peace in Your presence.

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We offer You all our precious and sometimes painful memories and ask that You will lead us from today to face the future in confidence and hope.

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

As our Saviour taught us, we boldly pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.



And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.



#### Benedictus - Bryn Terfel and Rhys Meirion

### **Blessing**

May the Lord bless you and care for you; May the Lord be kind and gracious to you; May the Lord look on you with favour and give you peace.

May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

Thank you again for tuning in this evening. You continue to be in our prayers.

# A Quiet Service of Thanksgiving: In Memory of your Loved One



# 7pm, Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020 Broadcast Live on Facebook from Hope Parish Church

Thank you for joining us this evening.

As a church we pray that you will find the service helpful.



## Opening Organ Music

#### **Welcome & Opening Prayer**

Heavenly Father,

we thank you for the life and love of those whom today we remember.

We thank you for the people they were to us,

the love we shared,

and the events that influenced our lives,

helping us to become the people we were to them and they to us.

As we now gather to honour their memory,

let our love be an everlasting reality.

We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ,

who lives and reigns with you for ever and ever. Amen.

#### Psalm 121 – I lift up my eyes to the hills

1 I lift up my eyes to the hills: from where is my help to come?

2 My help comes from the Lord: the maker of heaven and earth.

*3* He will not suffer your foot to stumble:

he who watches over you will not sleep.

4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel: shall neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The Lord himself watches over you:

the Lord is your shade at your right hand,

6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day: neither the moon by night.

7 The Lord shall keep you from all evil:

it is he who shall keep your soul.

8 The Lord shall keep watch over your going out and your coming in: from this time forth for evermore.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son: And to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now: And shall be forever. **Amen.** 

#### 1 Peter 1:3-9 – Praise to God for a living hope

<sup>3</sup> Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. <sup>7</sup> These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup> Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup> for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Poem - They That Love Beyond the World by William Penn

#### **Act of Remembrance**

(Gates of Prayer, Reform Judaism Prayer Book)
In the rising of the sun and in its going down
We remember them.

In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter **We remember them.** 

In the opening of the buds and in the warmth of summer We remember them.

In the rustling of the leaves and the beauty of autumn We remember them.

In the beginning of the year and when it ends

We remember them.

When we are weary and in the need of strength **We remember them.** 

When we are lost and sick at heart **We remember them.** 

When we have joys we yearn to share **We remember them.** 

In love and thanksgiving we remember all those we have lost over the last 12 months and before, whose passing still leaves a void in our lives.

We remember them.

#### Silence

All: We remember our loved one's today and give thanks for the love they shared with us. We now move forward with courage and hope on our own journey through life. Amen.

